Then « boh ' or « oh ' in the dark was enough to make then hair stand upright

Of such is shaped the true *Idea* of a witch, an old weather beaten crone having her chin and her knees meeting for age, hollow eyed, untoothed, going mumbling in the streets, one that hath forgotten her *paternoster,* yet hath a shrewd toague in her head to call [c] a drab, a drab ' If she have learned of an old wife in a chimney's end < pax, max, fax ' for a spell, or can say Sir John of Grantham's curse for the miller's eels that were stolen

[c] All you that have stolen the miller's eels,
Laudate Domtnum de cahs ,
And all they that have consented thereto,
Benedicamus Domino? —

why then, beware, look about you my neighbours, if any of you have a knavish boy of the school, or an idle girl of the wheel or a young drab of the sullens , and she have a little help of the mother, epilepsy or cramp, to teach her roll her eyes, wry her mouth, gnash her teeth, startle with her body, hold her arms and hands stiff, make antic faces, grin, mow and mop like an ape, and can mutter out two or three words of gibndge as [c] olus, bolus [9] , and then withal old Mother Nobs hath by chance called her idle young housewife or bid the Devil scratch her , then no doubt but Mother Nobs is a witch and the young girl star-blasted and possessed Then it goes hard but you shall have some idle, addle, giddy, lymphatical, illuminate dottrell who being out of credit, learning, sobriety, honesty and wit, Will take this holy advantage to raise the ruins of his desperate decayed name, and for his better glory will bepray the juggling drab and cast out Mop the Devil

In this present sickness of her Majesty the Council have called to them of the nobility as are in Court, being the Earl of Northumberland, the Lord Thomas Howard and the Lord Cobham, both to give advice for the good of the state and the suppressing of such as would move insurrections, if the Queen should die.

Order is now given to press all such rogues as might be apt